City of Leon Valley 2012 Bond Program Oversight Committee Meeting, February 27, 2014

Chairman Pedro Esquivel called the meeting of the 2012 Bond Program Oversight Committee to order at 5:30 p.m.

In addition to the Chairman, Committee Members Al Uvietta, Mike Davis Jr., Frank Zavala and Kathy Hill were present. John Cerventes and Vice Chairman Yarnell were absent.

A quorum was present.

Councilman Jack Dean, City Manager Manuel Longoria Jr., Police Chief Randall Wallace, Public Works/Special Projects Director Melinda Smith and Fire Chief Valdez were also present.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Esquivel asked for approval of the minutes from the December 19, 2013 meeting. Committee Member Zavala advised that on page 3 the first line should have the word grate and on the next line instead of cheaper we might use the word lower. These changes were made.

Project Recognition

Chairman Esquivel introduced the City Manager who gave the board members a token of appreciation for their work on getting the project to the point of ground breaking. The City Manager gave each of the members a paperweight. The Manager was asked if he thought the process was easy to which he replied that the Committee has done a lot of hard work in getting the election called and also for presenting a project that increased the tax rate by a nickel.

The Chairman thanked the City Manager for moving on the project as quickly as he has. The Chair advised that a project like this could have well taken until 2018 to get moving if not for the City Manager's leadership.

The City Manager thanked the Chairman and advised that the community came together and worked together on the project and that this has been a good process with reasonable people.

Project Update

The City Manager advised the Committee that the project is moving along rather quickly. The City Manager stated that there were two septic tanks found on the Fire Station lots and the solution was to remove one that was within the footprint of the foundation and to crush and cover the other one.

The City Manager advised that the lots from Bexar County have been purchased and now belong to the City.

In closing the City Manager advised the Committee that there would be construction meetings every two weeks until the project is complete.

The Chairman advised the Committee that he was proud of the work they have accomplished and he feels that they have been very successful in performing their tasks as outlined in the Charter.

Assist Fire Chief Lawson was introduced and gave a presentation which consisted of photos from the site of the Fire Department construction. It was explained that the FD has a camera mounted which takes pictures every hour.

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After the presentation, the City Manager showed the Committee the location of the trails adjacent to El Verde and briefed the Committee on the close proximity of the trails to our project and how the trails will connect our project with the City.

The Committee asked the City Manager about burying the electrical lines for the project to which the Committee was told that this is a very expensive process.

The Chairman asked how the City was going to proceed with project updates for the rest of the Community. The City Manager advised that the City has hired an IT person and with their help we will post on facebook, and our website the progress reports.

Committee Member Zavala asked if the contractor was going to be paid once a month and if that was the case to have a picture of the project along with what percentage the project is done to be included in that documentation.

Committee Member Zavala also asked about the maintenance of the hike and bike trails. The City Manager explained that the entire LC17 project area would revert to the City of Leon Valley and that we would be responsible for maintaining the entire area. The City Manager explained that the City would have to add within the Public Works Department along with the janitorial service, but also explained that the new building would be more efficient so we would have those savings.

Adjourn

Hearing no further business a motion was made by Committee Member Davis to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. and this was seconded by Committee Member Zavala.

Pedro Esquivel, Committee Chairman